

1 concentration of legislative power in single members.

2 I think the new Senate of 43 members is a big
3 improvemnt over the 29-man Senate. It was reorganized in
4 three major committees, the Senate Finance Committee, con-
5 sisting of 16 members, Economic Affairs Committee, with 13
6 and a Judicial Proceedings Committee with 13 members. This
7 meant that we could funnel all the work of the Senate through
8 three major committees.

9 We abolished the minor committees and secured a
10 number of advantages.

11 We were able to effect a logical division of
12 the legislature. We increased the working capacity of the
13 Senate. Each member had a nice committee assignment. He
14 could concentrate on that single committee and become an
15 expert in that type of committee work.

16 Every member of the Senate in essence had an
17 equal committee assignment. The manpower available was
18 improved, both during sessions and between sessions and
19 the committee staffing has been simplified, so that we are
20 able now to fill the staff for committee along with the
21 research facilities of the Legislative Department and